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Dear Rebecca,

In response to our telephone conversation earlier this afternoon please find attached a copy of our Request for Refund, dated May 9, 2006 and a copy of the Electronic Acknowledgement Receipt for this filing.

Thank you for your help. Please call if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

*Debra Stengel*  
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REQUEST FOR REFUND OF SURCHARGE FOR LATE FILING

Applicant respectfully submits herewith a duly executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above cited National Phase Patent Application, filed May 9, 2006. The Declaration was inadvertently omitted from the submission of the 371 Request, however as it is submitted on the same day as the National Phase Application, applicant respectfully requests a refund of the \$130.00 surcharge for late filing of Declaration/Oath.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 500323 AUTHORIZATION – All required fees are intended to be included with this submission. However, the Office is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees to deposit account #500323.

Respectfully submitted,

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**GAS PORT ASSEMBLY**

the specification of which ☐ is attached hereto or

☒ was filed on **27 OCT 04** as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number **PCT/GB2004/004542** and was amended on (if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for a patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following registered practitioner(s) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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